

REMARKS

Claims 1-35 were pending in the above-captioned patent application when the present Office Action was mailed (March 21, 2006). In this response, none of the pending claims have been amended or cancelled. Accordingly, claims 1-35 remain pending.

In the March 21, 2006 Office Action, claims 8, 9, 15-18, 29, 30 and 33-35 were allowed. Claims 4, 6, 7, 13, 14, 24, 28 and 32 were indicated to be allowable if rewritten to be in independent form, and the remaining claims (claims 1-3, 5, 10-12, 19-23, 25-27 and 31) were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over published U.S. Application 2002/0033837 to Munro ("Munro").

The undersigned attorney wishes to thank the Examiner for engaging in a telephone interview on May 22, 2006 to discuss the pending claims and the applied references. During the telephone interview, the Examiner clarified the following points:

- (1) Claim 5 would be allowable if rewritten to be in independent form; and
- (2) The outstanding Section 103 rejections are over Munro and U.S. Patent No. 6,753,891 to Chohan et al. ("Chohan") rather than Munro alone.

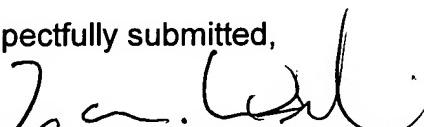
During the May 22, 2006 telephone interview, the Examiner agreed to withdraw the outstanding Section 103 rejection of independent claims 1 and 10 for at least the reason that neither reference provides the required motivation to combine the elements disclosed therein so as to arrive at the elements of claims 1 and 10. Claims 2, 3 and 5 depend from claim 1 and claims 11 and 12 depend from claim 10. Accordingly, for at least the foregoing reasons and for the additional features of these dependent claims, the Section 103 rejections of these claims should also be withdrawn. Furthermore, in light of the Examiner's indication that the Section 103 rejections of claims 1 and 10 would be withdrawn, the objections to dependent claims 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14 should also be withdrawn.

During the May 22, 2006 telephone interview, the Examiner agreed that neither Munro nor Chohan disclose or suggest the combination of first and second selector portions and menu displays identified in independent claims 19 and 26. The Examiner further indicated that neither Munro nor Chohan disclose or suggest the combination of display media, processor and first and second selection devices identified in claim 31. Accordingly, the Examiner agreed to withdraw the outstanding Section 103 rejections of claims 19, 26 and 31. Claims 20-23 and 25 depend from claim 19, and claim 27 depends from claim 26. Accordingly, for at least the foregoing reasons and for the additional features of these dependent claims, the Section 103 rejections of these claims should be withdrawn. Furthermore, the objections to claims 24, 28 and 32, which depend from claims 19, 26 and 31, respectively, should also be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing remarks, all the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner discovers any informalities or other matters that can be expediently handled by telephone, she is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at (206) 359-3257 to address these matters.

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